



The Kentucky Historical Society recently hosted its first all-virtual National History Day in Kentucky State Contest. Winners were announced on April 29. Participants included 208 students and 45 teachers from 40 schools as well as 80 judges who volunteered their time to help evaluate projects and interview students via Zoom.

Students presented their exhibits, documentaries, websites, performances, and papers featuring topics related to this year's national theme, "Breaking Barriers." Each student or group showed their project to a panel of judges who determined which projects would qualify for the NHD National Contest. The top 2 junior and senior projects in each category have qualified for the opportunity to compete at the National History Day National Contest which will be held virtually June 14-18. To find out more or to become involved in this program visit: [www.nhd.org](http://www.nhd.org) or [www.history.ky.gov/nhdky](http://www.history.ky.gov/nhdky).

## Teacher Awards

### Outstanding Elementary Division Teacher

Laureen Laumeyer, gifted and talented teacher, Bullitt County Schools

### 2020 Patricia Behring Junior Division Teacher Award

Chris Workman, English teacher, Farristown Middle School

### Hannah E. (Liz) MacGregor Senior Division Teacher Award

Kelly Weaver, social studies teacher, Marshall County High School

## Special Awards Winners

### Outstanding Women's Suffrage Project Junior and Senior Awards, sponsored by the 2020 Women's Vote Centennial Project

- Abby Smith, Junior Individual Exhibit, *Mary Ellen Britton: A "Universal Voice" for Change*, Royal Springs Middle School, Georgetown
- Laura Bache, Senior Individual Performance, *Loyalty, Purity, and Hope: How Alice Paul's Marketing Strategies Galvanize the Nation and Earned Women the Right to Vote*, Louisville

### Outstanding Women's History Award Elementary Award, sponsored by the Kentucky Foundation for Women

- Brooklynn Coley, Nicole Collingsworth, and Sakkara Scare, Elementary Group Documentary, *Harriet Tubman's Role in Slavery*, Westridge Elementary, Frankfort

#### **Outstanding Kentucky History Award, sponsored by the Frazier History Museum**

- Chase Hill, Junior Individual Documentary, *Revolution of Opportunity*, Leestown Middle School, Lexington

#### **Outstanding Political History Award, sponsored by the Office of the Secretary of State**

- Samuel Leigers, Junior Individual Website, *Breaking Barriers of Ignorance and Fear: How conscientious Objectors Served God and Country During World War II*, Windsor Academy Homeschool, Richmond

#### **Outstanding Early American History Award, sponsored by the Sons of the American Revolution**

- Caroline Adkins, Elementary Individual Performance, *Breaking Barriers on the Frontier*, Clark Elementary School, Paducah

### **Category Awards**

#### **Elementary Group Documentary**

1. Madelyn Boling, Sasha Black, *Breaking Barriers: History of Girl's Athletics in Paducah Public Schools*, Clark Elementary School
2. Brooklyn Coley, Nicole Collingsworth, Sakkara Sacre, *Harriet Tubman's Role in Slavery*, Westridge Elementary School

#### **Elementary Individual Exhibit**

1. Rex Gay, *The Aqueducts: Bringing Life to Ancient Civilizations*, Clark Elementary School
2. Grant Seaton, *Highly Secret Matter: The Manhattan Project*, Clark Elementary School
3. Natalie Hibbard, *Ephraim McDowell: Breaking the Barriers of Abdominal Surgery*, Cedar Grove Elementary School

#### **Elementary Group Exhibit**

1. Elijah Stanger, Joseph Vaughn, Tage Edwards, *Industrial Hemp*, New Covenant Christian Academy
2. Ava Webb, Giovanni Robledo Lopez, Keeley Stucker, *The Women's Activist Susan B. Anthony*, Carroll County Middle School

#### **Elementary Paper**

1. Felipe Borges, *The Fall of the Berlin Wall*, St. Francis School

#### **Elementary Individual Performance**

1. Emily Ross, *Breaking the Barrier of Darkness: Thomas Edison and His Amazing Lightbulb*, Crossroads Elementary School
2. Caroline Adkins, *Breaking Barriers on the Frontier*, Clark Elementary School

#### **Elementary Group Performance**

1. Dagny Page, Aubrey Riherd, Evah Smith, *Soarin' High: The Tale of Elinor Smith*, Clark Elementary School
2. Maya Wright, Zara Farber, *The 1920s: How the Jazz Age Broke All the Barriers*, St. Francis School

### **Elementary Individual Website**

1. Averie Bernard, *Katherine Johnson: Breaking the Barriers of Segregation and Rights for Women*, Crossroads Elementary School
2. Shawn Smith, *Apollo 11: The Moon Landing that Broke the Barrier of Space Travel and Planetary Studies*, Lebanon Junction School

### **Junior Individual Documentary**

1. J.T. Fulks, *The Great Race to Space*, Royal Springs Middle School
2. Foster Banks, *Not Just A White Man's War*, Battle of Richmond Association
3. Chase Hill, *Revolution of Opportunity*, Leestown Middle School

### **Junior Group Documentary**

1. Elena Adkins, Liam Black, Azyln Goodyke, *Striving for Equality: The Integration of Paducah Public Schools*, Paducah Middle School
2. Abigail Capshaw, Cate Taylor, *Happy Birthday To You: The History Behind the Sisters that Broke Barriers*, New Covenant Christian Academy
3. Kinsley Cloninger, Anney Kelly, Samantha Molle, *In Between the Lines: A Documentary on the Culper Spy Ring*, New Covenant Christian Academy

### **Junior Individual Exhibit**

1. Alexander Stumbur, *Pack Horse Library Project: Breaking the Boundaries of Poverty and Illiteracy*, Winburn Middle School
2. Jasmine Kelley, *Dominique Dawes: Changing the Color of Gymnastics*, St. Nicholas Academy
3. Abby Smith, *Mary Ellen Britton: A "Universal Voice" for Change*, Royal Springs Middle School

### **Junior Group Exhibit**

1. Leda Beale, Lilly Paradis, *Breaking Barriers: Valentina Tereshkova's Flight Into History*, St. Francis
2. Cooper Brock, Brayden Saylor, *The Unknown Aviator*, Page School Center
3. Juan Corrales, Shelby Hillebrandt, Lydia Risk, David Zeitz, *Muhammad Ali: The Greatest*, Carroll County Middle School

### **Junior Paper**

1. Emily Hall, *America's National Parks: Barriers to Preservation*, Edythe Jones Hayes Middle School
2. Nora Reichert, *Penny Chenery: Breaking Barriers in the Horse Racing Industry*, Winburn Middle School
3. Madilynn Jackson, *Master Diver Carl M. Brashear: The U.S. Navy's Greatest Overcomer*, Middlesboro Middle School

### **Junior Individual Performance**

1. Julian Kennedy, *Lucille Ball: Breaking Barriers*, St. Francis School
2. Andrea Miracle, *The Lady with the Lamp: The Story of Florence Nightingale*, Page School Center
3. Naarah White, *Don't Tell Me I Can't: How Harriet Tubman Broke Barriers in American History*, Paducah Middle School

### **Junior Group Performance**

1. Blake Burnett, Marli Hacker, Kaelyn Miracle, Logan Stepp, Jackson Walters, *The Cherokee Who Broke the Barrier of the Indian Removal Act*, Page School Center

2. Cecelia Stromberg, Thomas Stromberg, *Pope John Paul II: Breaking the Iron Curtain*, Kolbe Academy Homeschool
3. Maiya Bhandari, Zoey Mollette, Kylie Pirtle, Lucy Taliaferro, *The Shoes on My Feet*, Richmond Model School

#### **Junior Individual Website**

1. Samuel Leigers, *Breaking Barriers of Ignorance and Fear: How Conscientious Served God and Country During World War II*, Windsor Academy Homeschool
2. Sabina Rapp, *Barbie: An Inspiration*, St. Nicholas Academy
3. Ellen Fei, *Xinhai Revolution: Breaking Barriers from Empire to Republic*, Winburn Middle School

#### **Junior Group Website**

1. Allee Holdcroft, Madison Powell, *Apollo 11: Breaking the Technology Barrier*, St. Nicholas Academy
2. Reid Lynch, Jonathan Siress, Nate Wyatt, *Breaking Barriers in the NCAA*, New Covenant Christian Academy
3. Solomon Joseph, George Zheng, *Apollo 11: Moon Landing Breaks the Barrier of Tension Between the United States and the Soviet Union and Prevents a Nuclear War*, St. Nicholas Academy

#### **Senior Individual Documentary**

1. Samantha Dotson, *A Race for Equality: How Cynisca Changed the Olympic Games*, Frederick Douglass High School
2. Austin Washburn, *The Civil Rights Act of 1965: Taking Steps Toward Equality*, Sheldon Clark High School

#### **Senior Group Documentary**

1. Tiffany Clark, Madison Dudgeon, Ella Robinson, *Lady of Death: The Greatest Female Sniper, Lyudmila Pavlichenko*, Grayson County High School

#### **Senior Individual Exhibit**

1. Montana Leigers, *Smarter, Stronger, Kinder: How Sesame Street Broke Barriers in Children's Educational Television to Create Meaningful Change*, Windsor Academy Homeschool
2. Cadence Brown, *Medical Advancements in World War I*, Marshall County High School

#### **Senior Group Exhibit**

1. Conor Washburn, Luke Wyatt, *Abraham Lincoln: Breaking the Barriers Through the Civil War to Become One of the Greatest Presidents in the History of the Nation*, Marshall County High School
2. Hayden Miller, Grace Webb, *Crossing the Pond: Beatlemania*, West Jessamine High School
3. Alexis Brown, Keaton Wilson, *Irena Sendler: The World War II Hero*, West Jessamine High School

#### **Senior Paper**

1. Abigail Stanger, *The Lost Story of a Harlem Lawyer that Took Down America's Most Notorious Mob Boss and Shattered Barriers for African-American Women*, Marshall County High School
2. Shayleigh Smith, *Breaking Barriers: The Fall of the Berlin Wall*, Academy for Individual Excellence
3. Clare Uhlik, *Florence Nightingale: Barrier Breaker*, Paducah Tilghman High School

**Senior Individual Performance**

1. Laura Bache, *Loyalty, Purity, and Hope: How Alice Paul's Marketing Strategies Galvanized the Nation and Earned Women the Right to Vote*, Homeschool
2. Ty Buck, *The Effect of Apollo 11 on American History and How it Changed the World Forever*, Sayre School

**Senior Individual Website**

1. Braelyn Hayes, *The Two Ladies of Radioactive Elements*, Grayson County High School

**Senior Group Website**

1. Chloe Cox, Bailey Richardson, *Retaking the American Colonies*, Grayson County High School
2. Brayden Dunbar, Jackson McLean, *The Race to Piece America Together*, Marshall County High School
3. Tyler Dennis, Garrett Drake, Chase Richardson, *Rome: The City of Broken Barriers*, Grayson County High School